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In re Application of
Hiroshi Tayanaka
Application No. 08/818,239
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ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition, filed January 3, 2000, to withdraw the above-identified application from issue pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.313(b)(5).

The petition is granted.

Petitioner requests that the above-identified application be withdrawn from issue to permit abandonment for consideration of an Information Disclosure Statement in a continued prosecution application filed of even date.

The application is withdrawn from issue.

Petitioner is advised that the issue fee paid on December 8, 1999 in the parent application is not refundable nor can it be applied towards any new Notice of Allowance which may issue on the CPA filed December 9, 1999.

The application will be forwarded to Technology Center 2800 for processing the CPA.

Telephone inquiries concerning this matter may be directed to the undersigned at (703) 305-8859.

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